

## English

In English we will be continuing to develop pupils' fluency and comprehension skills through daily English lessons and guided reading sessions. Pupils will continue to read, enjoy and discuss a range of high-quality age appropriate text across a variety of genres. Our class book for the summer term is *The Boy at the Back of the Class* and *Oh Maya Gods*.

The children will be writing fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. Where possible our model texts will link to other areas of study. Our writing skills are then applied throughout the curriculum and in free-writing opportunities.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar curriculum requirements will also be a key focus.

Useful Websites: BBC Bitesize and Topmarks

## Science

The topic for the first half term is a physics topic where we will be looking at how we separate materials. Science teachers from Ellowes will be providing workshops for year 5. Towards the end of the year we will complete a biology unit identifying the changes that humans go through as they grow older.

## Computing

E-safety remains the priority in computing lessons. Year 5 are learning how to use coding in SCRATCH.

Some dates for your diary:

5<sup>th</sup> May - Bank holiday  
26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>st</sup> May - Half term  
13<sup>th</sup> June - Art Day  
19<sup>th</sup> June - PSHE PANTS workshop  
26<sup>th</sup> June - Gallery day

Please see the calendar on our website for up-to-date details.

More dates to be confirmed!

## Summer Term Curriculum Newsletter Years 5

Welcome Back  
Our year 5 team are:  
Miss Rolinson, Miss Howe and  
Mrs Aubrey

## History and Geography

For this term our geography studies will focus on the Western United States. We will be using a variety of resources including Digimaps to identify the similarities and differences between the U.K. and the western parts of North America.

In history, our topic will be The Mayan civilisation in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> centuries. The children will continue to learn about British and world history and look to establish how significant events in the past influence our lives today. Throughout our work, we will be noting connections, contrasts and trends over time and developing the appropriate use of historical terms.

### Art/D.T.

Year 5 will be sculpting their own clay flowers in art and stuffed toys as part of our textiles unit.

## Maths

In maths year 5 will be studying geometry units on shape, and position and direction. The pupils then return to number work as they learn about decimals and negative numbers. At the end of the term year 5 will focus on measurement - converting measures as well as starting to look at volume.

Useful Websites: TT Rock Stars, BBC Bitesize, and Topmarks

Homework will be given out weekly in Maths and English.

Year 5 pupils are expected to read and change their home reader books regularly.

## P.E.

PE this term focuses on striking and fielding, and athletics  
Year 5 PE is on Monday

## Music

Year 5 are looking at music and links to South and West Africa before they move on to learn about musical theatre.

## P.S.H.E.

This unit will involve looking at the positive and negative use of social media and other content online.

RE Our RE work this term focuses on Caring for the Earth. We will end the term learning about Ways of Worship.